



Bewley Primary School

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Article 28

You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can

We hope that this newsletter finds you all well and that your children are happy and settled in their new classes.

It has certainly been a busy start to the year involving trips, visits and sporting activities. Children have elected their class councillors, and our Year 6 Playground Friends are ensuring break times are fun. Computing Ambassadors are helping in computing lessons and Bewley's Year 6 leadership Team is now up and running! A very well done to everyone who put themselves forward for these roles.

We are pleased to announce that **Hunter Pearman** and **Ava Hatfield** are our new Head Girl and Head Boy. They will lead our new Year 6 Leadership Team and will be supported by their house captains, vice captains and prefects who we know will be a credit to Bewley and will be great ambassadors in promoting our motto of being 'Bright, Proud, Successful'.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Take care,
Mrs Clift



- Amelia Dunn
- Arthur Horn
- Beau Garrod
- Brody Brimley
- Daisy Batey
- Darcey Noble
- Dougie Hepple
- Ebony Robinson
- Eddie Farrow
- Ethan Gibson
- Evelyn Loynes
- Ezra Garbutt Barry
- Gali Leung
- Imogen Jenkins
- Jessica Pickering
- Layla-Rose Keenan
- Leo Mackey
- Logan Ibbotson
- Nancy Noble
- Noah Woods
- Olivia Jones
- Olly Wright
- Oscar Wardell
- River-Blu Keenan
- Rosie Crooks
- Sofia Levett
- William McQuillen

Sport @ Bewley

Well done to the KS2 children who recently participated in an inter-school cross country event. A particular well done goes to **Betsy Swales** and **Emma Moore** who qualified for the county finals!

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Reading @ Bewley

Congratulations to those children who completed the summer reading challenge!



Headteacher Award

Well done to Marlowe Ayre who received the first Head Teacher's Award this year for her amazing diary writing.

Why not follow our latest news and events going on in school by checking out our school website at: <http://www.bewleyprimary.org.uk>



Our X followers are currently 1266, which is amazing! You can catch up on all the exciting learning that has been captured on X each week at (@Bewley Prim).



Year 6 parents/carers: please remember to complete your Secondary School application form and return to the School Admissions team before the deadline of 31st October 2024.

Please contact Mrs Hepple if you would like assistance with this.



Changing over from hot dinner to packed lunch
The school meal service requires a notice period of half a term if children are moving over from a hot dinner to a packed lunch or vice versa.

Events in school

Sept 30th – Oct 11th -5GS Swimming
October 1st –Y5/Y6 Rugby
October 3rd – Reception – Police Visit
October 7th – Harvest Collection
October 11th – Wear it Pink/Red
October 16th – Coat/Uniform swap
October 17th – Y5 - Oriental Museum visit
October 17th – 2M – Teesmouth Trip
October 24th – 2H – Teesmouth Trip
October 21st to 24th – Parent Consultations
October 25th – PD Day – School closed

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Dates for the diary

Oct 25th – PD Day – school closed
Oct 28th – Nov 1st – Half-term
Dec 20th – PD Day – school closed
Dec 23rd – Jan 3rd – Christmas holidays
Feb 24th – 28th - spring half-term
Apr 14th – 25th - Easter
May 5th – Bank holiday
May 26th – 30th - half term holiday
July 21st – PD Day school closed
July 22nd - Break up for summer
The statutory Y6 SATs will take place 12-15th May inclusive.

Parent /Carer Consultation Meetings.
Meetings will take place w/c 21st October.
More details to follow.



Please come along to our coat swap/preloved uniform event on **16th October 2.30pm – 3.30 pm in the studio (between Y3 and Y2 classrooms via playground)**
If you have any coats /shoes /uniform/winter woollies and Christmas jumpers that you would like to recycle, please bring them to school.

Please contact Mrs Hepple if you would rather collect uniform from her.



We would like to have a harvest collection w/c 7th October.
If you are able to make a small donation of non-perishable foods such as packets, tins, cereals or biscuits to support worthwhile causes that would be great. Thank you.



Wear it Pink Friday- 11th October

Children are invited to wear something pink or red to support breast cancer awareness month on Friday 11th October.
You are invited to come and have a drink and a cake with your child on Friday 11th October.
Times to follow!

Marvellous Me Consent forms

Please return your consent forms to allow/not allow class teachers to share images of your child with parents who have children in the same class as your child.
Please contact the school office if you need another form.

School dinner fun on 3rd October

School will be having a themed dinner on Thursday 3rd October
Italian Menu.



Attendance

Good Attendance and Punctuality = Good Learning

The importance of being punctual and coming to school can never be underestimated, in terms of contributing massively to children's learning. We cannot stress how important it is that children are in school.

Attendance goal: 96%



The third full week back of this academic year saw our attendance at 96% from reception to Year 6 which is an excellent start.

Coming to school on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from Nursery onwards. Missing 10% of school (1 or 2 days every few weeks) can make it harder to:

- Gain reading and math skills.
- Build friendships.
- Build on good progress which leads to reaching age related expectations and above.

Time off school

Mrs Hepple is our attendance champion supported by Mrs Clift.

They are both available to discuss any issues/challenges that you are experiencing, and that school may be able to help with.

Well done to 4JC and 4G and Nursery who have each had a full week of 100% attendance!

Attendance and late marks for week ending 27th September

Class	Teacher	Attendance	Lates
AM /PM Nursery	Mrs Hakes	93%	0
RA	Miss Abbey	96.3%	14
RHW	Mrs Harnett-Wood	98.3%	2
1U	Mrs Uttley	95.9%	3
1G	Mrs Gibson	90.6%	1
2H	Mrs Hunter (Mrs Patterson Fri)	97.7%	3
2M	Miss Misra	97.9	1
3S	Mrs Sharratt	97.6	1
3D	Mr Dunn	96.7	11
4JC	Miss Jones/ Mrs Charnley	96.7	6
4G	Mrs Gell	96.8	9
5T	Mrs Tattersdill	96.3	1
5GS	Mr Greysmith	95.5	5
6R	Mr Rice	95.1	5
6C	Mr Cumiskey	97.3	1

Changes to penalty notices

I appreciate that we have already sent you information regarding the new changes to penalty notices, but this is just a reminder.

School must follow the statutory guidance outlined in the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, which came into effect from the 19 August 2024 following publication of the DfE's Working together to improve school attendance document. This document can be accessed on our school website in the parent tab under attendance.

A penalty notice is issued to parents/carers when the absence threshold has been met.

The threshold is 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks. This will impact any parent/carer who takes term time leave of absence for their child when the threshold is met.

These changes are being applied to all schools across the country as part of the DfE statutory guidance and are not the result of any decisions made by the school or our trust.

School notifies the Local Authority attendance team when the threshold has been met and payment must be paid directly to the Local Authority.

The summary of the penalty notice changes when the threshold is met is below:

- Per parent/carer, per child: Penalty Notices will now be issued to each parent/carer, for each child that is absent (e.g. 3 siblings absent for term time leave would result in each parent/carer receiving 3 separate fines).
- 5 consecutive days of term time leave: Penalty Notices will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days. Inset training days can be included in this period where there was intent to be absent for term time leave. Penalty Notices will be considered when there have been 5 days (10 sessions) of absence in a 10-week period.
- First offence: The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount will be £160 per parent/carer, per child (if paid within 28 days). This amount will be reduced to £80 per parent/carer, per child if paid within 21 days.
- Second offence (within 3 years): The second time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount will be £160 per parent/carer, per child (if paid within 28 days).
- Third offence and any further offences (within 3 years): This will not result in a penalty notice and alternative action will be taken instead. This will often include considering prosecution, or other attendance legal interventions.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss any of the changes, please contact either Mrs Hepple or Mrs Clift. Thank you.

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In Stockton-on-Tees, we have great foster carers, but we need more. If you have a spare bedroom and can provide a safe and stable home for a child or young person, have you thought about becoming a foster carer?

Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council is working with Foster with North East, the new regional recruitment and support hub for fostering with your local authority.

Fostering may be more flexible than you think, to have your questions answered and to find out more, contact the hub today on 0800 917 7771 or visit www.fosterwithnortheast.org.uk